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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination, filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 14, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on February 14, 2007. A petition for a two-month extension of time is enclosed, extending the period of response to April 14, 2007.

Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.

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